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WILDLIFE PORTFOLIO OF THE WESTERN PARKS. By Joseph S. Dixon. U. S. Department of Interior. 1942: 8 x 10 in., 121 pp., 58 photos. \$1.25 of Supt. of Documents, Washington, D. C.

This attractive book of wildlife photographs was published "as a standard for camera enthusiasts and for the enjoyment of others who simply like to look." The majority of the photographs are by Dixon, but some notable pictures have been contributed by Wendell Chapman, Frank R. Oastler, the Muries, and others. The first 38 photographs are of mammals, 18 others are of birds, and two are of reptiles. The pictures are curiously uneven in quality—a number are first-class, others very mediocre. The author's 35 years' field experience from Alaska to Mexico has in most cases enabled him to handle successfully the difficult task of providing an interesting and worthwhile text for each picture. Scientific names are lacking even in the introductory "List of Animals."—J. Van Tyne.